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Our Case No. 9281-3683
Client Reference No. N US99096

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Kiyoshi Sato)
Serial No. To be Assigned)
Filing Date: Herewith)
For THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD)
WITH TRACK WIDTH)
RESTRICTING GROOVE)
FORMED TO FULLY READ)
LOWER CORE LAYER, AND)
MANUFACTURING METHOD FOR)
THE SAME)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

At page 3, line 1, delete ", then" and insert --. Then--.

At page 3, line 4, delete ", the" and insert --. The--.

At page 3, line 17, delete ", then" and insert --. Then--.

At page 4, line 8, delete "(See Fig. 9) which" and insert [] and frequently leads to

A1 peeling of the plating. The lower magnetic pole layer 3--.

At page 4, line 10, delete ", frequently leading to peeling of the plating"

At page 4, line 13, after "weakens" insert --the--.

A2 At page 4, line 16, delete "will describe" and insert [] is a description of--.

At page 5, line 1, delete "has been" and insert --is--.